

REMARKS

By this amendment, one of the limitations of claim 3 has been moved into claim 1 and claims 3 and 4 have been made independent as new claims 5 and 6. Accordingly, claims 3 and 4 have been canceled.

Previous claims 3 and 4 were rejected over Tullis et al. ('314) in view of Spies ('273). However, the Examiner should note that Applicant's method includes storing enhancement information *at the location of the recipient*. In contrast, the system of Spies is a real time system that converts from one mode to another at a third-party conversion center. This, apart from the fact that there is no teaching or suggestion in support of the Examiner's proposed combination, defeats *prima facie* obviousness. With regard to previous claim 4, the Examiner is once again invited to point out where the disclosure of "phonemes" exists in either of the cited references.

Based on the foregoing amendments and comments, Applicant believes all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Questions regarding this application may be directed to the undersigned attorney by telephone, facsimile or electronic mail.

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